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Examiner:
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, enclosed are an Information Disclosure Citation in an Application, Form PTO-A820, and a copy of each of thirteen (13) references.

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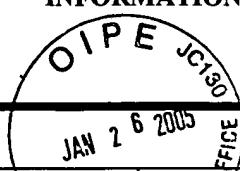
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